

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph on page 7, from lines 13 to 19, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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*As* Circuitry included in telephone line interface 20 is shown in Fig. 3. This circuitry couples base unit 11 to the telephone line and, thus, to equipment in a central office. The circuitry includes an electronic ring detector 22, overvoltage protection circuitry 23, polarity protection circuitry 24, hook switch circuit 25, and loop DC holding circuit 26 ~~22~~.

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